12.00 Noon

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (2001-2002) of the Brahmaputra Board, Guwahati and related papers

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI) : Sir, I beg to lay on the Table :-

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers, under section 21 and section 22 of the Brahmaputra Board Act, 1980 :-

(a) Annual Report and Accounts of the Brahmaputra Board, Guwahati, for the year 2001-2002, together with the Auditor's Report on the Accounts.

(b) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

II. Statement (in English and Hindi) giving reasons for the delay in laying the papers mentioned at (I) above. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7265/03]

Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI ANANDRAO VITHOBA ADSUL) : Sir, on behalf of Shri Jaswant Singh, I beg to lay on the Table :-

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Company Affairs), under sub-section (3) of Section 641 of the Companies Act, 1956:-

(1) G.S.R. 751(E) dated the 2nd November, 2002, amending Schedule V of the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956) regarding crediting of unclaimed or unpaid amounts payable by Companies to Investor Education and Protection Fund.

(2) G.S.R. 762 (E) dated the 13th November, 2002, amending Schedule VI of the Companies Act, 1956 (1 of 1956) regarding crediting to the Investor Education and

Protection Fund by certain unpaid amounts. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7190/03]

II. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under Section 159 of the Customs Act, 1962, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:-

(1) G.S.R. 69(E) dated the 30th January, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 12/2003-Customs (NT) dated the 30th January, 2003, regarding replacing of 6 digit custom classification code with 8 digit in consequence of the Customs Tariff (Amendment) Ordinance, 2003.

(2) S.O. 218 (E) dated the 25th February, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 15/2003- Customs (NT) dated the 25th February, 2003, seeking to amend S.O. 748 (E) dated the 3rd August, 2001, regarding downward revision of Tariff Value for Brass Scrap (all grades).

(3) S.O. 224 (E) dated the 25th February, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 16/2003- Customs (NT) dated the 25th February, 2003, regarding Exchange rate for conversion of certain foreign currency into Indian currency or *vice-versa* for the purpose of assessment of import.

(4) S.O. 225 (E) dated the 25th February, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 17/2003-Customs (NT) dated the 25th February, 2003, regarding Exchange rate for conversion of foreign currency into Indian currency or *vice-versa* for the purpose of assessment of export. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (4) *see* No. L.T. 7436/03]

(5) G.S.R. 161 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking amendment in Notification No. 21/2002-Customs dated the 1st March, 2002, so as to prescribe effective rates of duty on specified goods.

(6) G.S.R. 162 dated the 1st March, 2003, prescribing effective rates of duty for goods falling under the Customs Tariff Act, 1975.

(7) G.S.R. 163 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking amendments in Notification Nos. 136/90-Customs dated the 20th March, 1990, 171/93-Customs dated the 16th September, 1993, 117/94-Customs, dated the 27th April, 1994, 152/94-Customs, dated the 13th July, 1994, 154/94 dated the 13th July, 1994, 26/95-Customs, dated the 16th March, 1995, 28/95-Customs, dated the 6th March, 1995, 39/96-Customs, dated the 23rd July, 1996, 42/96-Customs, 23rd July, 1996, 51/96-Customs, dated the 23rd July, 1996, 80/97-Customs, dated the 21st October, 1997, 25/99-Customs, dated the 28th February, 1999 and 25/2002-Customs, dated the 1st March, 2002.

(8) G.S.R. 164 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking amendment in Notification No. 23/2002-Customs dated the 1st March, 2002, so as to exempt certain goods from Special Additional Duty.

(9) G.S.R. 165 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking exemption in specified goods from so much of the additional duty of customs as is equivalent to the National Calamity Contingent duty leviable thereon, under Section 136 of the Finance Act, 2001, read with clause 161 of the Finance Bill, 2003.

(10) G.S.R. 166 dated the 1st March, 2003, superseding Notification No. 171/94-Customs dated the 30th September, 1994, so as to reduce basic customs duty on serially numbered gold bars, gold coins and ornaments when imported by an eligible passenger.

(11) G.S.R. 167 dated the 1st March, 2003, superseding Notification No. 54/2001-Customs dated the 11th May, 2001, so as to prescribe the rates of additional duty of customs on alcoholic liquors.

(12) G.S.R. 168 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking exemption on exposed and developed cinematographic film so as to provide that on import of cinematographic film, the value for the purpose of levy of customs duty shall be worked out by taking the aggregate of the cost of the print of the cinematographic film and the freight and insurance

charges incurred in respect of the print of such cinematographic film.

(13) G.S.R. 169 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking exemption on tea and tea waste from additional duty of customs.

(14) G.S.R. 170 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking exemption on green tea from additional duty of customs.

(15) G.S.R. 171 dated the 1st March, 2003, superseding Notification No. 23/2001-Customs dated the 1st March, 2001, so as to prescribe effective rate of basic customs duty on specified varieties of woven fabrics, falling under Chapters 52, 54, 55 and 58 of the First Schedule to the Customs Tariff Act, 1975.

(16) G.S.R. 172 dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking amendment in the Project Imports Regulations, 1986, so as to specify the Sponsoring Authority in respect of Aerial Passenger Ropeway Project.

(17) G.S.R. 173 dated the 1st March, 2003, superseding Notification No. 10/2001-Customs (N.T.) dated the 1st March, 2001, so as to fix rate of interest for warehoused goods at fifteen per cent per annum. [Placed in Library. For (5) to (17) *see* No. L.T. 7250/03]

III. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under sub-Section (4) of section 94 of Chapter V of the Finance Act, 1994:-

(1) G.S.R. 155(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 1/2003-Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend the Service Tax Credit Rules, 2002.

(2) G.S.R. 156(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 2/2003-Service Tax dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to rescind Notification No.6/99-ST dated the 9th April, 1999 *vide* GSR 251 (E) dated the 9th April, 1999.

(3) G.S.R. 157(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 3/2003-Service Tax dated the 1st March,

2003, seeking to amend Notification No.12/2001- ST,dated the 20th December 2001, so as to extend the exemption granted to hotels beyond 31st March 2003. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (3) *see* No. L.T. 7246/03]

IV. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Economic Affairs), under section 48 of the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999:-

(1) G.S.R. 222(E) dated the 18th March, 2003, publishing the Foreign Exchange Management (Foreign Exchange Derivative Contracts) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(2) G.S.R. 223(E) dated the 18th March, 2003, publishing the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(3) G.S.R. 224(E) dated the 18th March, 2003, publishing the Foreign Exchange Management (Foreign Currency Accounts by a Person Resident in India) (Sixth Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(4) G.S.R.225 (E) dated the 18th March 2003, publishing the Foreign Exchange Management (Transfer or Issue of Security by a Person Resident outside India) (First Amendment) Regulations, 2003. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (4) *see* No. L.T. 7435/03]

V. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under Section 19 of the Medicinal and Toilet Preparation (Excise Duties) Act, 1995:-

(1) G.S.R. 158 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 1/2003-M & TP dated the 1st March, 2003, to appoint 1.3.2003 as the date on which amendments made *vide* Finance Act, 2000 in the Schedule to Medicinal and Toilet Preparations Act, shall come into force. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7247/03]

(2) G.S.R. 159(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 2/2003-M & TP dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to prescribe effective rates for certain commodities covered in the Schedule to Medicinal and Toilet Preparations Act. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7248/03]

(3) G.S.R. 160(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 3/2003-M& TP dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to notify toilet preparations covered under Medicinal and Toilet Preparations Act for RSP based assessment. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7249/03]

VI. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Economic Affairs), under section 31 of the Securities and Exchange Board of India Act, 1992:-

(1) S.O. 1245(E) dated the 29th November, 2002, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Prohibition of Insider Trading) (Second Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(2) S.O. 1291 (E) dated the 10th December, 2002, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Underwriters) (Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(3) S.O. 1292 (E) dated the 10th December, 2002, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Foreign Institutional Investors) (Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(4) S.O. 1328 (E) dated the 18th December, 2002, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Substantial Acquisition of Shares and Takeovers) (Third Amendment) Regulations, 2002.

(5) S.O. 171 (E) dated the 13th February, 2003, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Central Listing Authority) Regulations, 2003.

(6) S.O. 203 (E) dated the 19th February, 2003, publishing the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Credit Rating Agencies) (Amendment) Regulations, 2003. [Placed in Library. for (1) to (6) *see* No. L.T. 7244/03]

VII. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Finance and Company Affairs (Department of Revenue), under sub-section (2) of section 38 of the Central Excise Act, 1944, together with Explanatory Memoranda on the Notifications:-

(1) G.S.R. 136(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification No. 6/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002 prescribing effective rates of duty on specified goods.

(2) G.S.R. 137(E) dated the 1st March, 2003 publishing the Notification No. 7/2003-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, prescribing effective rates of duty on textile articles.

(3) G.S.R. 138(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 8/2003-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to supersede SSI exemption Notification No. 8/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002 and prescribing SSI exemption, with effect from the 1st April, 2003 for units not availing CENVAT credit.

(4) G.S.R. 139(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 9/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to supersede SSI exemption Notification No. 9/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002 and prescribing SSI exemption, with effect from the 1st April, 2003 for units availing CENVAT credit.

(5) G.S.R. 140(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification No. 10/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, prescribing effective rates of duty @ nil or 8% *ad valorem* on specified goods falling under the First Schedule of the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985.

(6) G.S.R. 141(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 11/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to prescribe effective rates of Special Excise Duty in respect of specified goods wherever duty rate has been reduced in the Second Schedule of the Central Excise Tariff Act, 1985.

(7) G.S.R. 142(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 12/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to exempt crude oil, produced

either in fields under PSCs or in the Exploration blocks offered under NELP, from National Calamity Contingent Duty.

(8) G.S.R. 143(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 13/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to exempt (i) green tea, and (ii) tea, manufactured by bought leaf factory and factory belonging to co-operative society from additional duty of excise on tea and tea waste.

(9) G.S.R. 144(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 14/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to exempt motor spirit, intended for use in 5% ethanol doped petrol, from duty as is in excess of that leviable on motor spirit sold by the manufacturer to an independent buyer.

(10) G.S.R. 145 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 15/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to exempt 5% ethanol doped petrol from additional duty of excise.

(11) G.S.R. 146 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 16/2003-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Central Excise Notification Nos. 76/86-Central Excise dated the 10th February, 1986, 214/86-Central Excise dated the 25th March, 1986, 88/88-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 1988, 83/94-Central Excise dated the 11th April, 1994, 84/94-Central Excise dated the 11th April, 1994, 62/95-Central Excise dated the 16th March, 1995, 64/95-Central Excise dated the 16th March, 1995, 67/95-Central Excise dated the 16th March, 1995, 9/96-Central Excise dated the 23rd July, 1996, 22/96-Central Excise dated the 23rd July, 1996, 15/99-Central Excise dated the 26th March, 1999, 26/2001-Central Excise dated the 11th May, 2001, 33/2001-Central Excise dated the 28th June, 2001, 39/2001-Central Excise dated the 31st July, 2001, 14/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002, 15/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002, 28/2002-Central Excise dated the

13th May, 2002, 52/2002-Central Excise dated the 17th October, 2002 specified therein.

(12) G.S.R. 147(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 17/2003- Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to rescind the Central Excise Notification Nos. 10/98-Central Excise dated the 2nd June, 1998, 41/99-Central Excise dated the 26th November, 1999, 13/2000-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2000, 10/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002 and 17/2002-Central Excise dated the 1st March, 2002.

(13) G.S.R. 148 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 8/2003- Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification No. 52/2001-Central Excise (NT) dated the 29th June, 2001, 54/2001-Central Excise (NT) dated the 29th June, 2001 and 6/2002-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2002 in the specified manner.

(14) G.S.R. 149 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 9/2003- Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to prescribe rebate of central excise duty on mineral oil supplied as stores for consumption on board an aircraft on foreign run.

(15) G.S.R. 150 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 10/2003-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification No. 13/2002-Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2002 to extend RSP based assessment to specified goods and to amend rate of abatement on some specified goods covered under RSP based assessment.

(16) G.S.R. 151(E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 11/2003- Central Excise(NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend the Central Excise Valuation (Determination of Price of Excisable Goods) Rules, 2000.

(17) G.S.R. 152 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 12/2003- Central Excise(NT) dated the

1st March, 2003, seeking to amend the Central Excise Rules, 2002.

(18) G.S.R. 153 (E) dated the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 13/2003- Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend the CENVAT Credit Rules, 2002.

(19) G.S.R. 154 (E) dated ,the 1st March, 2003, publishing the Notification No. 14/2003- Central Excise (NT) dated the 1st March, 2003, seeking to amend Notification No. 50/2001-Central Excise (NT) dated the 28th June, 2001. [Placed in Library. For (1) to (19) *see* No. L.T. 7245/03]

Notifications of the Ministry of Civil Aviation

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK) : Sir, I lay on the Table a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Civil Aviation, under Section 14A of the Aircraft Act, 1934, together with an Explanatory Note on the Notifications:-

G. S.R. 206 (E) dated the 7th March, 2003, publishing the Aircraft (Carriage of Dangerous Goods) Rules, 2003. G.S.R. 207 (E) dated the 7th March, 2003, publishing the Aircraft (Amendment) Rules, 2003 deleting Rule 8 of the Aircraft Rules, 1937. [Placed in Library. *See* No. L.T. 7268/03]

REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT-RELATED PARLIAMENTARY STANDING COMMITTEE ON HOME AFFAIRS

SHRI HANSRAJ BHARDWAJ (Madhya Pradesh) : Sir, I present the Ninety-eighth Report (in English and Hindi) of the Department-related Parliamentary Standing Committee on Home Affairs on Demands for Grants (2003-2004) of the Ministry of Home Affairs.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN

श्रीमती सविता शारदा (गुजरात) : महोदय, मैं "कुटुम्ब न्यायालय के कार्यकरण" के संबंध में समिति के पांचवे प्रतिवेदन (तेरहवीं लोक सभा) में अंतर्विष्ट सिफारिशों पर सरकार द्वारा की गई कार्यवाही के संबंध में महिला अधिकारिता संबंधी समिति के बारहवें प्रतिवेदन की एक-एक प्रति (अंग्रेजी तथा हिंदी में) सभा पटल पर रखती हूँ ।